

Once part of the sprawling St. John's Manor, the "Maffit Farm" was sold to Samuel Maffit by Stephen, Mary, and Jane Hyland in March of 1850. (RCH 2/21). The house was probably built soon after Samuel Maffits ownership. The farmhouse is a common mid 19th Century three story center hall frame structure that commands a broad vista of surrounding fields.

## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

File # 5-102

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

MAGGITT FARM - Taylor (1877 map)

AND/OR COMMON

DILKS Taylor Farmhouse

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Box 332

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Cecil

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☒ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

## ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

## PRESENT USE

☒ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Clara D. Dilks

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STREET &amp; NUMBER

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CITY, TOWN

Philadelphia

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Pennsylvania 19109

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Clerk of the Circuit Court

Liber #: MD 8

Folio #: 434

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Cecil County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

CE-816

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Taylor Farmhouse c. 1850 is a three story frame house located down a long lane off Elk Neck Road and just north of Piney Creek. The lane descends toward the Elk River. The house faces southwest with the main gable running on a northwest/southeast axis.

The three story main block is three bays across by one room deep with a central hall. A two story bay by one room kitchen wing extends from the north side. The house rests on a full fieldstone basement and is sheathed with weatherboard siding. The low pitched gable roof is covered with a reddish clay tile.

The main facade has a central entrance with a slightly beaded surround. 6/6 sash windows flank the entrance but are without their shutters. The third floor main facade windows are a smaller 3/3 sash. A boxed cornice stretches across at the base of the roof. A single story porch with square posts and saw-tooth decorative boards on the ends covers on the first floor of the south and east sides.

The east gable end has two 6/6 sash on the first floor and a single 6/6 sash on the second and third floors. Interior end stretcher bond chimneys rise out of each gable end.

The rear wing is two bays across by one room deep with a shed addition attached to the east side. An interior end stack rises out of its gable end. The window sash are 6/6 with similar trim.

A few <sup>farm</sup> ~~other~~ buildings remain directly southeast of the main house. There is a large barn and granary.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Maffit Farmhouse is a common mid 19th century house type for the mid-Atlantic region but not for the relatively isolated Elk Neck Area. The house has retained most of its mid 19th century exterior detail and undoubtedly a good deal of interior woodwork. The farm seems to have been assembled by Nicholas George before 1850. He acquired property at a ~~sheries~~ <sup>3rd 1840's</sup> sales and subsequently sold five tracts to Stephen, Mary, and Jane Hyland before 1850. Samuel Maffit and David Taylor owned the farm after the Hylands who sold it to Samuel Maffit in March of 1850 (R. C.H. 2/21) A later deed mentions the Maffit Farm as part of "St. John's Manor".

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

Cecil County Committee

DATE

6/7/78

STREET &amp; NUMBER

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CITY OR TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438



SCALE 1:24,000

1 MILE

0 1000 2000 3000 4000 5000 6000 7000 FEET

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QUADRANGLE LOCATION

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty Medium-duty U.S. Route

Light-duty Unimproved State Road

NORTH EAST QUAD.

NORTH 1 SW/4 ELKTON N3930-W

PHOTOGRAPHIC SURVEY, WASHINGTON, D. C. 20242

AMS 5863 III S



MAFFIT

CE- 816

Wagon FARMHOUSE

SOUTHEAST ELEVATION

ELK NECK NR Piney Creek

~~APR~~ 6/78 PIST

MD. HIST. TRUST. / NEG.





MAFFIT

CE-816

~~THORPE~~ FARMHOUSE

SOUTHEAST ELEVATION

ON PINEY CREEK, ELK NECK

2/78 PBT

NEG. / MD HIST. TRUST



MAFEIT

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~~Thayer~~ FARMHOUSE

NORTHWEST ELEVATION

NR PINEY CREEK - ELK NECK

6/78 PBT

NEG. / MR. HIST. TRUST



MAFFIT

~~Haynes~~ FARMHOUSE

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NORTHWEST ELEVATION

NR PINOY CREEK, ELK NECK

6/78 PBT

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